

Siblings ever present in Clackamas sports

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Wayne and Wendy, Scott and Vicki, Mike, Jim, and Mary. Of course, the Sanmans, the Andersons, and the Impers, all three brother-sister combinations in sports here at Clackamas.

Everyone knows that growing up with a brother or sister isn't always a bed of roses. All of the College's siblings do credit their brother or sister with their success in sports.

"We have been in sports since we were little," Mary Imper said. "We have a very athletic family." Imper, 19, grew up in the wake of her two older brothers; Mike 22, and Jim 21. Mary was co-captain on the school's volleyball team last fall and was recently named to the All-Region 18 tennis squad. When asked if she ever defeats her brothers on the basketball court, Imper replied, "No, but I can beat them in tennis."

While Mary chose to pursue her volleyball and tennis here at Clackamas, the Brothers Imper devoted their time to developing their skills in basketball. Growing up just a year apart one might suspect a little extra competition between Mike and Jim. "Not just him, all of them," Mike stated.

A great deal of time was spent playing one-on-one Mike recalled. Did Mike help his "little" (he now stands 6'7") brother out? "It wasn't helping him out, it was more trying to beat him," Mike, now "only" 6'5", said.

Hanging around with his older brother payed off for the once "small, skinny" kid brother. "It helped me out because of the experience," Jim said. "When Mike went to



Jim, Mary and Mike Imper are one of the three brother, sister combinations in sports at Clackamas.

play with his friends, I would go along too."

Jim believes that growing up behind his older brother paid off for him in the long run. "I played varsity at Junction City when I was a sophomore. Mike was playing forward so I was forced to always cover a guard. This year I played facing the basket a lot so everything worked out pretty well."

Scott Anderson, 20, and his sister Vicki, also grew up in a sports-oriented environment. Was there ever any pressure from the Anderson parents? No, Vicki, a freshman, said. "They give us a lot of support. They come to all of our meets and games."

The Anderson siblings

both participated in cross country, basketball, and track throughout their high school careers at Tigard. Being in the same sports, did little sister get any help from her big brother? "Yah, he'd help me because I could play with him when I didn't have anyone else," Vicki said.

Was the kid sister able to cut the mustard when it came to back yard football games? Yes, feels Scott. "She could play with the boys. She wasn't

counted as a girl. She could burn some boys, but not me," Scott claims.

Wayne and Wendy Sanman are a little different from the Impers and Andersons. Wayne and Wendy are twins, though it hasn't always looked that way, Wayne remembers. "When we were in junior high she was taller than me so everyone thought she could probably beat me up, but she couldn't," Wayne added.

The Sanman twins

Photo by Duane Hiersche graduated from Milwaukie High in 1982. Wayne, now the taller of the two, professes, "I helped her some with basketball in high school, but that's about it."

Wendy has since given up basketball and now plays tennis, while Wayne puts in time hurdling on the schools track team. When asked if she could take her brother in junior high Wendy replied, "Yah, I probably could. He wasn't very big."

Wynia's crew academic All-Americans

The women's cross country team was recently notified that they were named as first team, first section academic All-Americans. The women accumulated a 3.562 GPA as a team.

Top seven grade point were as follows: Sheri Hilton 4.0, Julie Pearson 3.83, Suzi Graham 3.78, Vicki Anderson 3.64, Michelle Fobert 3.44, Debbie Koffel 3.25, and Tammy Arbini 3.0.

Recently, the women's track team held their annual awards banquet. Coach Marilyn Wynia announced that freshman Sheri Hilton was named as the team's most valuable athlete.

Hilton was second at the

NJCAA national meet in the javelin and fourth in the heptathalon.

Most improved was Terri Kelly, who was fifth at nationals

in the javelin. Most Inspirational, as voted on by the athletes, was 800 meter runner Suzi Graham.

'Prefontaine' last meet for sophs

Thirteen athletes will represent Clackamas Community College in the upcoming 1983 Prefontaine Classic track and field meet held annually at Hayward Field on the campus of the University of Oregon, June 4.

For some it will be their last meet in the scarlet and blue uniforms of Clackamas Community College. Only five of the 13 are sophomores however. Tony Macey and Steve Gogl will run the steeple,

Les Taylor will run the 100 and 200 meter dashes, Ken Velasquez will run the 5,000, and Roger Barnhurst will toss the javelin.

Freshmen competing in the prestigious event will be: Brian Abshire and John Hansen, 1,500; Matt Parker 800, Larry Cummings long jump, Tony Aldredge shot and javelin, Jeff Tressler and Ivan Coleman 400 relay, and John Elston in the intermediate hurdles.

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